



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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November 3, 2010

Dear Aquaculture Producer:

The Washington State Department of Agriculture (WSDA) is administering the 2009 Aquaculture Grant Program. This USDA program assists aquaculture producers who suffered financial losses due to high feed costs during the 2009 calendar year.

Eligibility - To be eligible for this program, aquaculture producers must:

- Have been in production during calendar year 2009 and currently be in production in 2010;
- Verify that in 2009 their feed costs exceeded 25 percent of their total input costs;
- Verify that the feed price per pound paid in 2009 must be at least 125 percent of the five-year statewide average price paid in 2003-2007 and;
- Verify that his/her Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) did not exceed \$500,000 for the three preceding tax years (2005-2007).

Species	Fish Feed Price/Unit		Unit
	2003-07 Average	2009 must exceed 125%	
Trout	\$0.380	\$0.475	Lbs
Atlantic Salmon	\$0.435	\$0.544	Lbs
Pacific Salmon	\$0.737	\$0.921	Lbs
Shellfish	\$0.023	\$0.029	Liter

Reimbursement:

- Compensation shall be the difference between the 2009 price per pound of feed paid by the producer and the 2003-2007 five year statewide average price times the total pounds of feed purchased in 2009.
- Limitations - Total payment cannot exceed \$100,000 per producer or member of a joint ventures or general partnership. If the producer has interest in other eligible aquaculture facilities in other states, the total compensation for all sources cannot exceed \$100,000. NOTE: Only \$115,175 is available to Washington State producers so final compensation will be reduced proportionately.

Application:

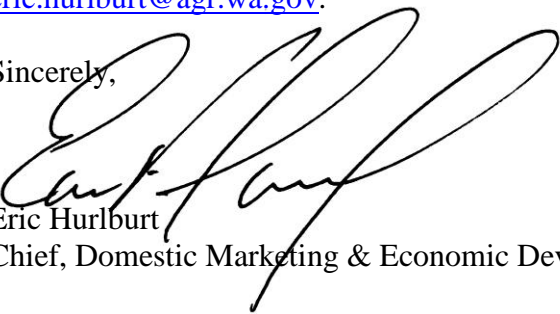
- To apply for compensation under the 2009 AGP, complete the attached form and return it to **WSDA by November 15, 2010**. A complete application will be sent to you.
- All participants must register at their local USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) office and allow access to their records by state and federal agencies. This includes allowing the Internal Revenue Service to provide specific information to the FSA will assist in determining the Adjusted Gross Income and eligibility.
- Producers that are not individuals must have a Dun and Bradstreet Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number and register in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database.
 - To register and apply for the DUNS number, go to www.ccr.gov.

If you feel you are eligible and would like to participate, please complete the form below and email it to:

Stacy Laney
Washington State Department of Agriculture
PO Box 42560
Olympia, WA 98504-2560
Tel: 360-902-2160
Email: stacy.laney@agr.wa.gov

If you have questions or need additional information please contact me at (360) 902-1933 or eric.hurlburt@agr.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



Eric Hurlburt
Chief, Domestic Marketing & Economic Development

Notice of Intent to Participate

Company Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

E-Mail: _____

☐ I elect TO participate in the 2009 Aquaculture Grant Program

or

☐ I elect TO NOT participate in the 2009 Aquaculture Grant Program

Signature: _____ Date: _____